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FIRST NOTICE

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Date: July 25, 2002 Time: 9:30 AM (MST) First Notice: 02-10

Arizona Licensee Western Technology Inc. License No. 07-080

3737 East Broadway Rd Phoenix, AZ 85040-2966

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On July 25, 2002, at approximately 3:30 AM the Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency was notified by the AZ Department of Public Safety that a radioactive material device had been involved in a wreck. Upon arrival at the scene it was noted that the vehicle containing a Troxler Model 3410, SN 22312, containing 8 mCi Cesium-137 and 40 mCi Americium-241:Be., had run off the road avoiding an animal. This was located on the U.S. 60 to 101 North ramp. The vehicle had rolled back down the incline. Agency retrieved device until the licensee could accept possession. The driver did not require medical assistance at the scene. Preliminary radiation surveys did not indicate any abnormalities.

The Licensee is performing leak tests on the device.

Agency continues to investigate this event. No press coverage is occurring or expected for this event.

The U.S. NRC, is being notified of this event.

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